



GUGGENHEIM
LÓPEZ
GUIMARÃES

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BEWARE THE PLANET OF THE APES

AN
ALL-NEW
PREQUEL
TO THE
ORIGINAL
FILM!

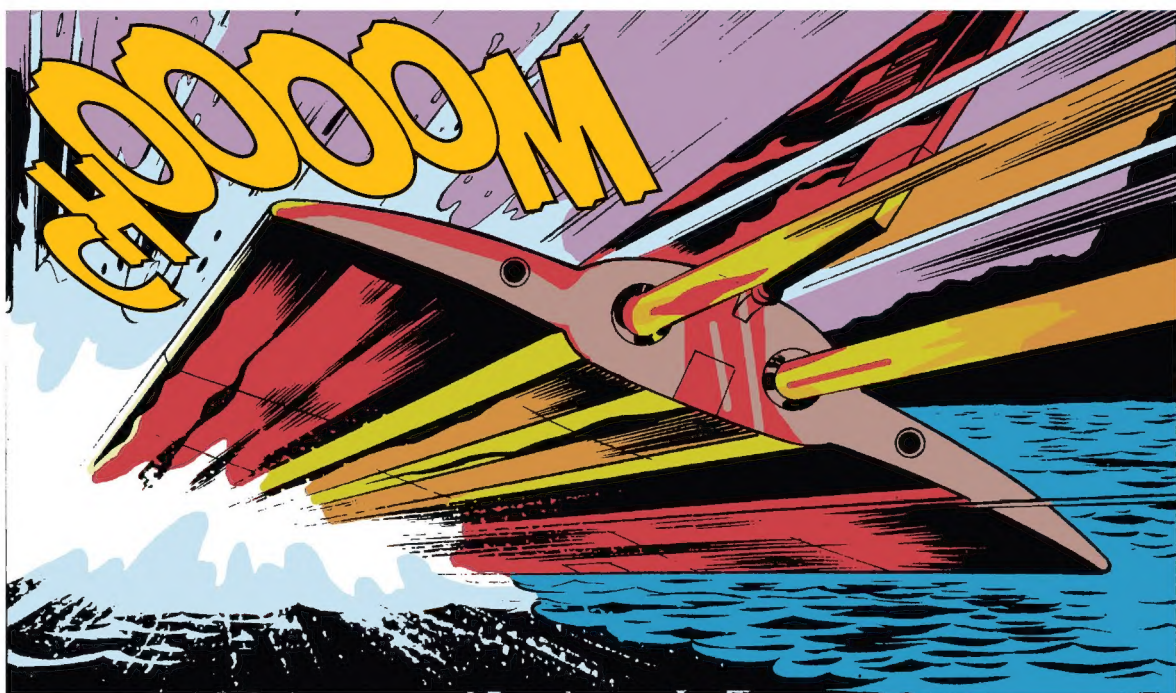
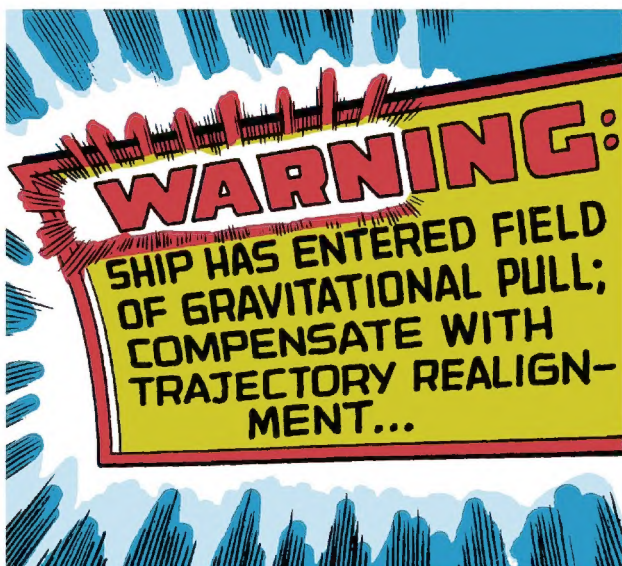


IN ASSOCIATION WITH

MARVEL



**Soon.
Taylor's Ill-Fated Landing.**



**SHE'S
SINKING FAST,
BOYS...!**

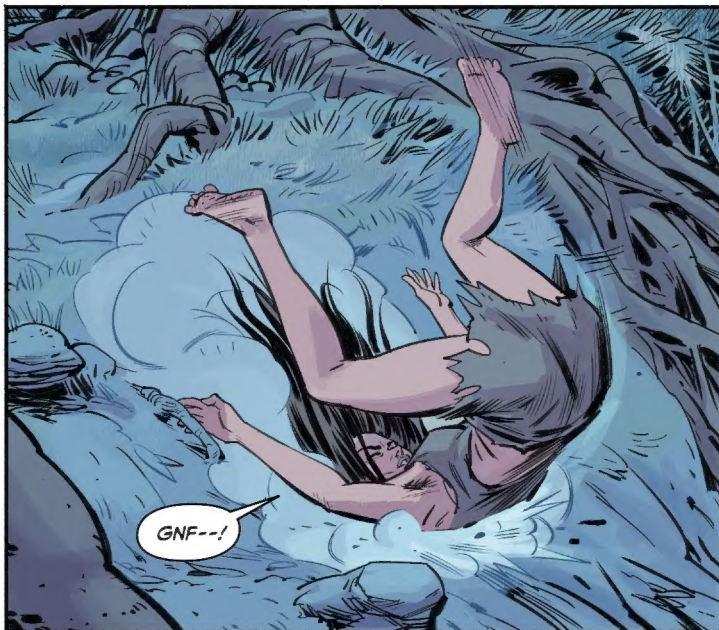
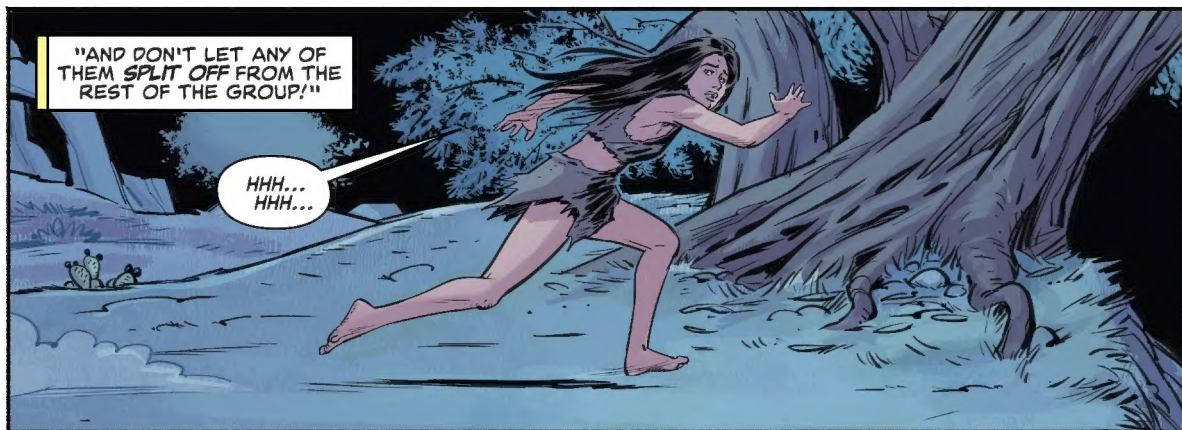


**DIDN'T THINK
YOU WERE EVER
COMING,
TAYLOR.**

**JUST SAYING GOODBYE
TO THE SHIP, LANDON.
AFTER ALL, WE HAVE HER
TO THANK FOR GETTING
US HERE...**

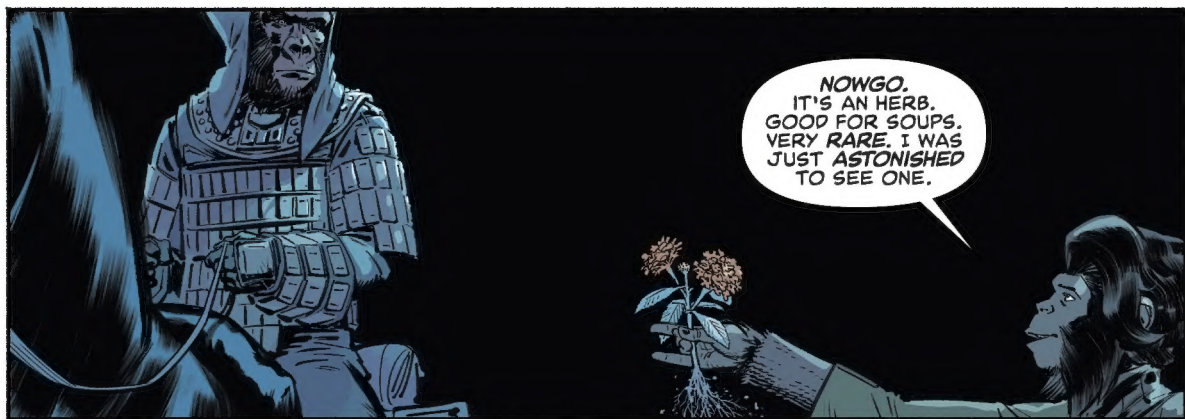
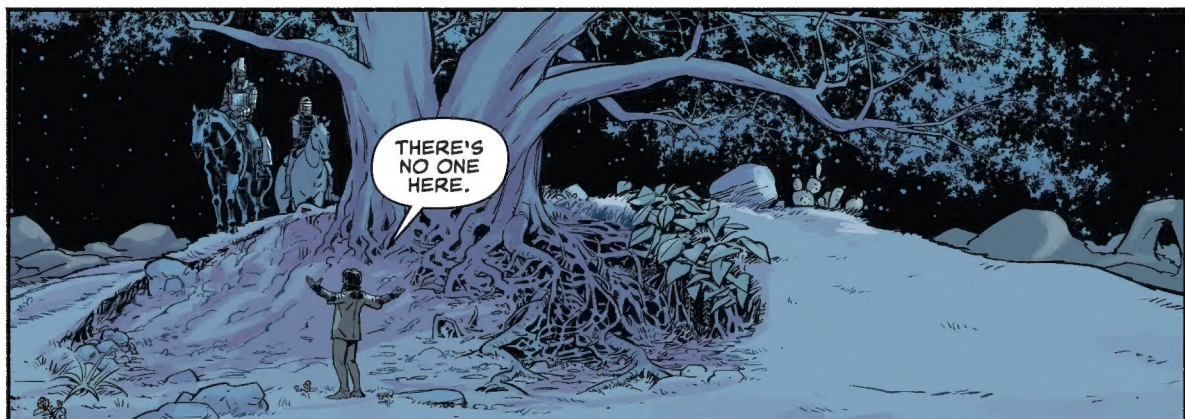
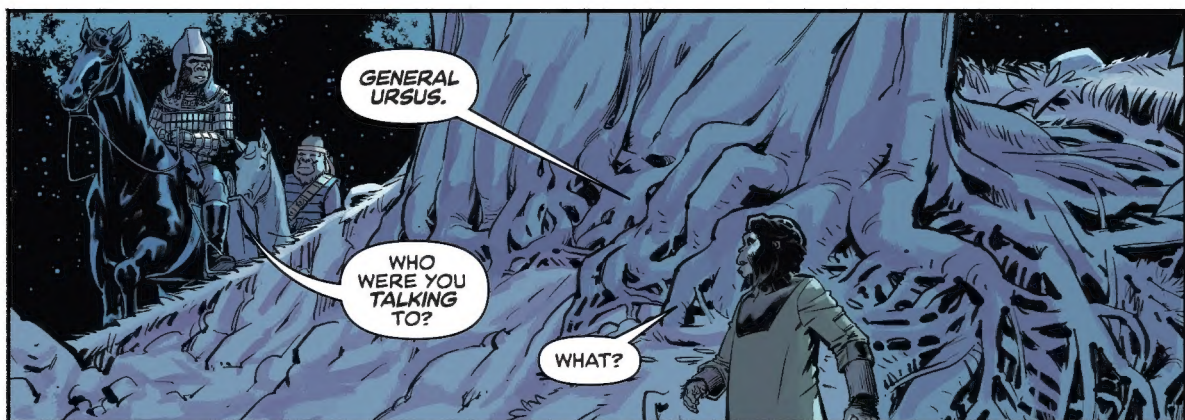


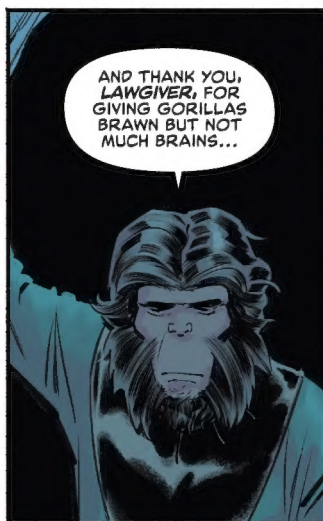








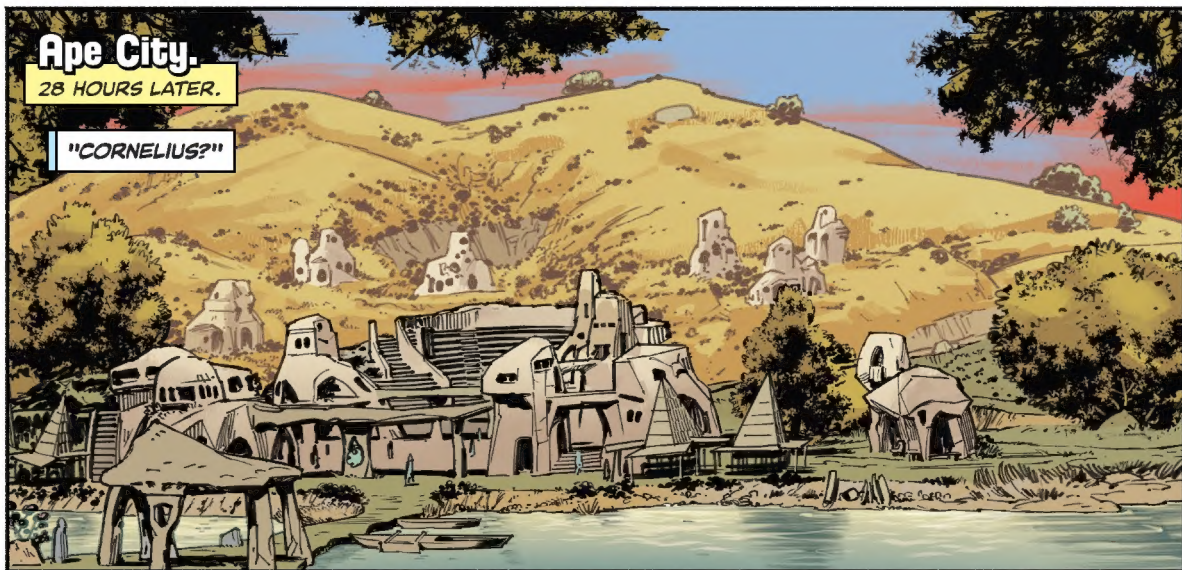


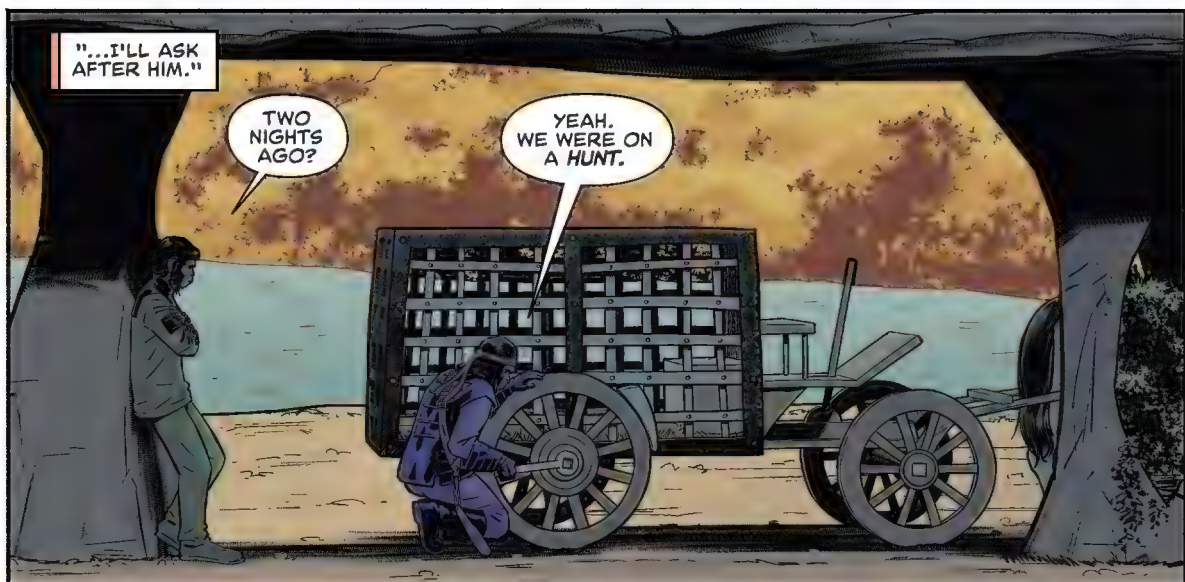


Ape City.

28 HOURS LATER.

"CORNELIUS?"





"...I'LL ASK
AFTER HIM."

TWO
NIGHTS
AGO?

YEAH.
WE WERE ON
A HUNT.



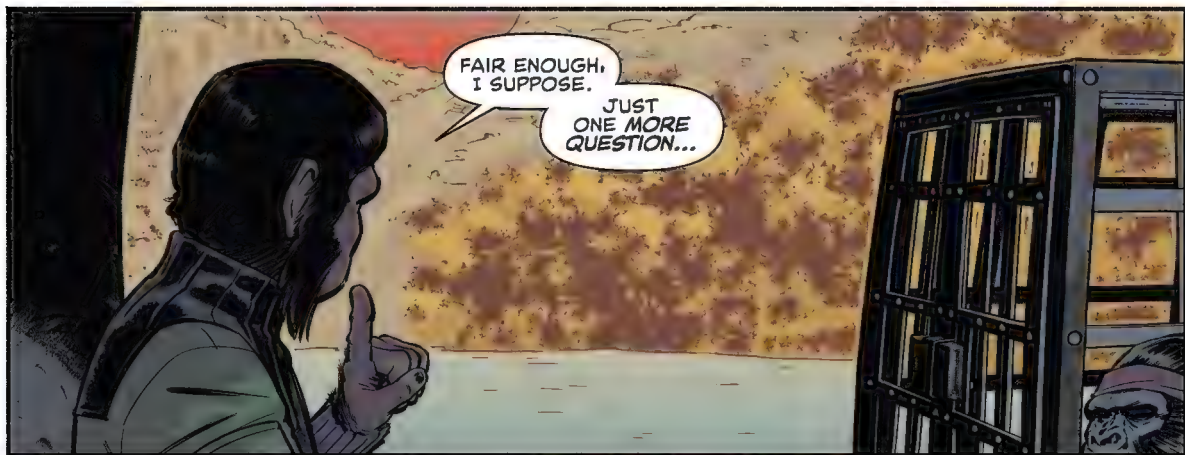
I THINK HE
WAS HELPING
A HUMAN
ESCAPE.

LUCIUS
WOULD
NEVER--

WHO KNOWS
WHAT IDEAS GET
INTO KIDS' HEADS
THESE DAYS?



ONLY THING
I KNOW FOR SURE
IS IF I COULD
PROVE IT, YOUR
FIANCEE'S ADORABLE
LITTLE NEPHEW WOULD
BE LOCKED UP WITH
THOSE HAIRLESS
BEASTS HE SEEMS
TO FAVOR.



FAIR ENOUGH,
I SUPPOSE.

JUST
ONE MORE
QUESTION...

"...WHERE DID YOU SEE
LUCIUS AND THIS HUMAN?"

LUCIUS!

LUCIUS!!!

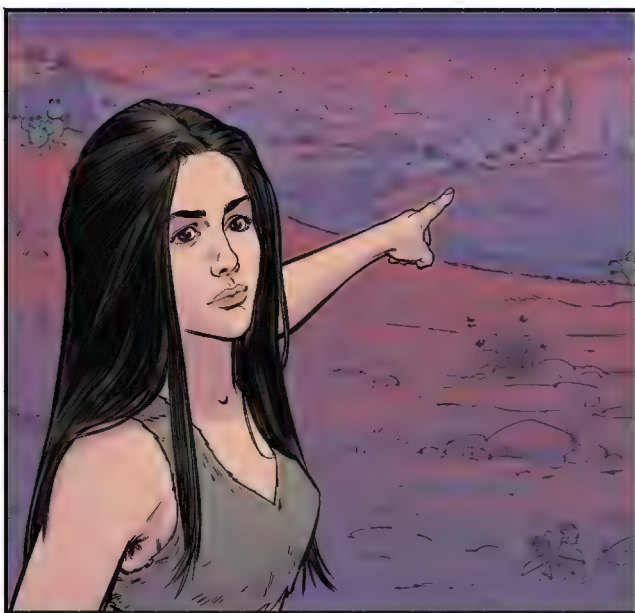
MEN BE
DAMNED, BOY,
WHERE ARE
YOU?

LUCIUS?

LUCIUS?

RUSTIE



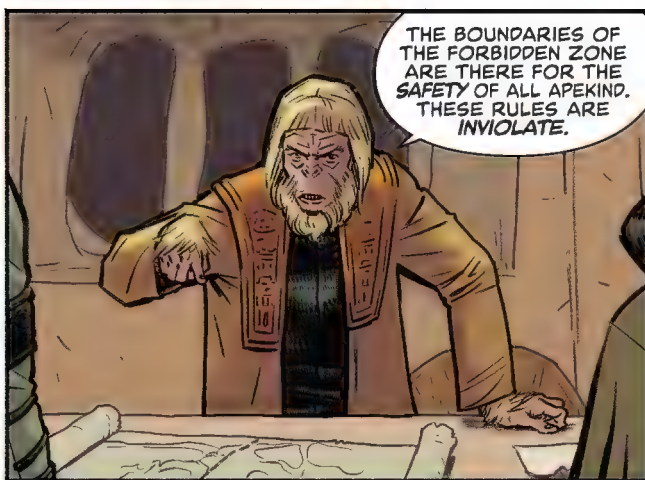






THIS ISN'T
A LAUGHING
MATTER--

LOOK
AT MY FACE,
ZIRA. DO YOU
SEE A GRIN
THERE?



THE BOUNDARIES OF
THE FORBIDDEN ZONE
ARE THERE FOR THE
SAFETY OF ALL APEKIND.
THESE RULES ARE
INVIOULATE.



SOMETHING YOUR
NEPHEW WOULD
KNOW.

WHICH IS
WHY I FIND IT
HIGHLY UNLIKELY HE
WENT OFF IN THAT
DIRECTION.

THEN
WHERE ELSE
COULD HE
BE?

FALLEN
INTO A DITCH,
A CULVERT...
STEPPED OFF A
CLIFF...
DROWNED...



~GASP!~



I SEE YOUR
POINT, DOCTOR, BUT
THERE'S NO CAUSE
TO FRIGHTEN
HER--

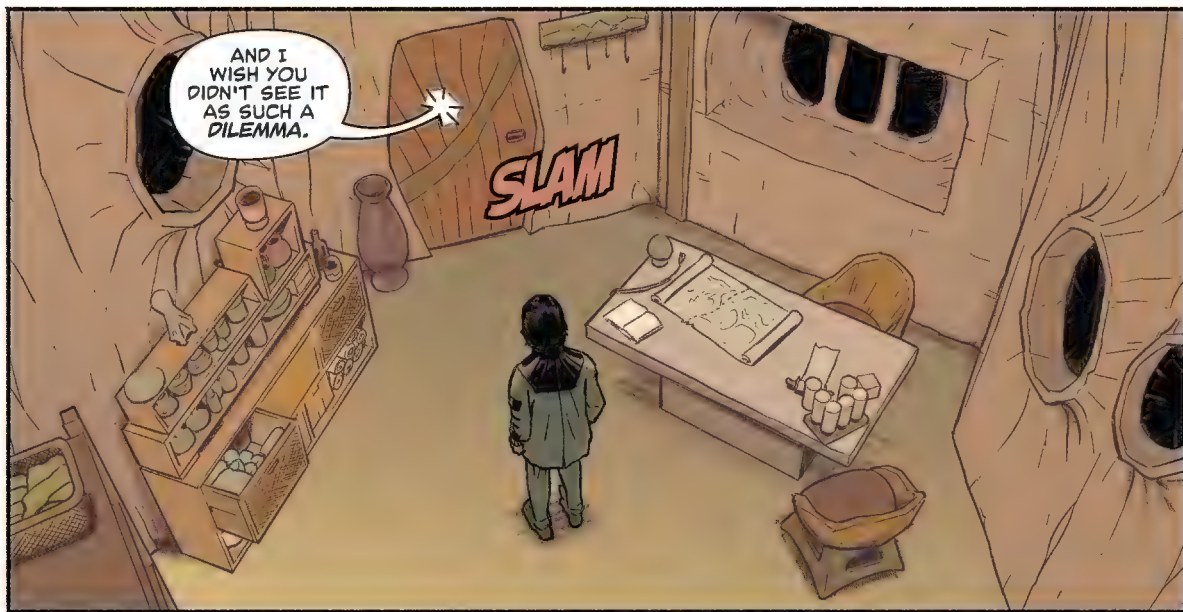
MY POINT, CORNELIUS,
IS THAT WHETHER IN
THE FORBIDDEN ZONE
OR NOT, THE TERRAIN
OUTSIDE APE CITY IS
DANGEROUS.

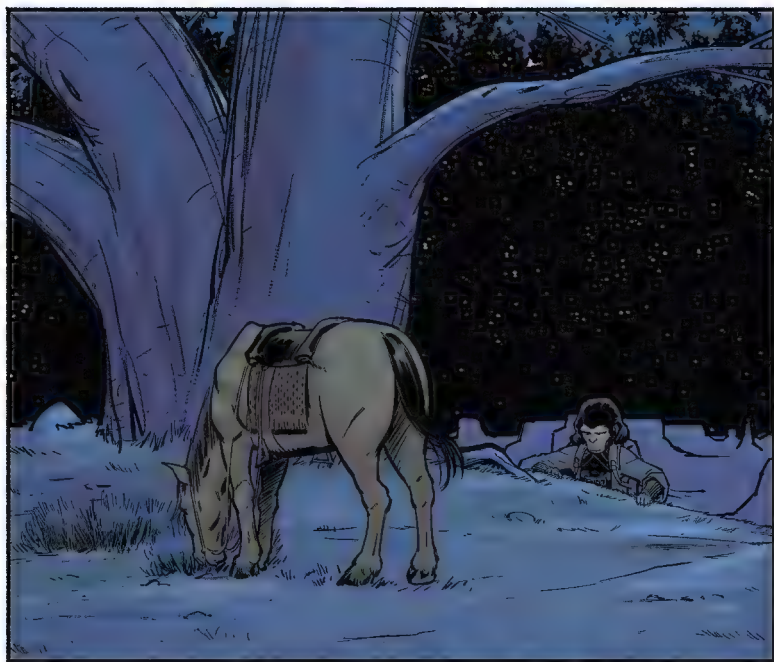
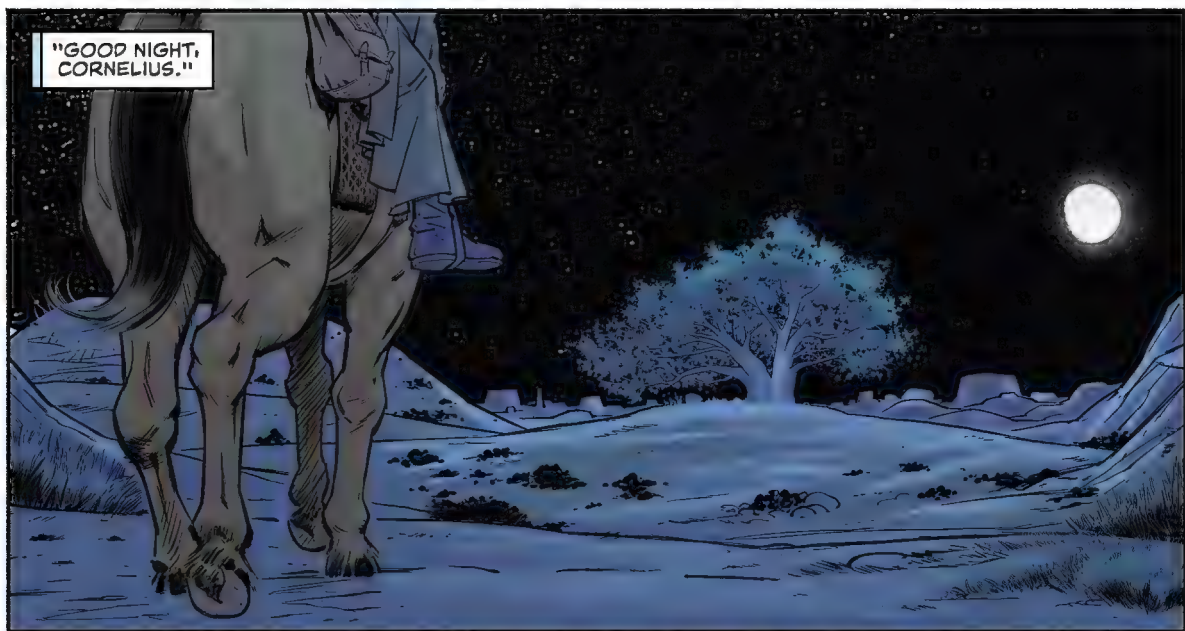
I'M SORRY,
ZIRA. EITHER YOUR
NEPHEW WILL TURN
UP SOMEWHERE ELSE,
OR HE MET WITH A MOST
UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT.
IN TIME, I IMAGINE, WE'LL
EITHER LOCATE HIM...

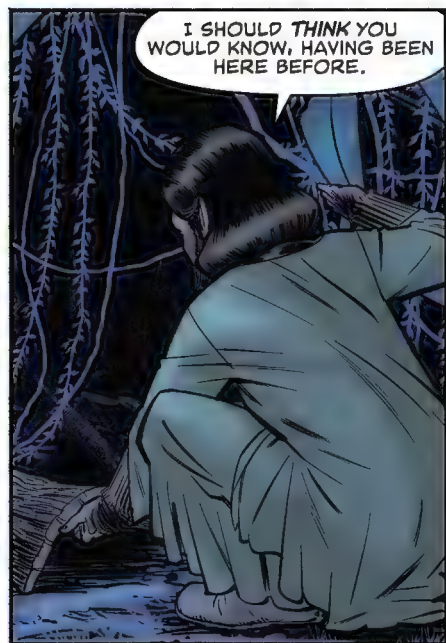
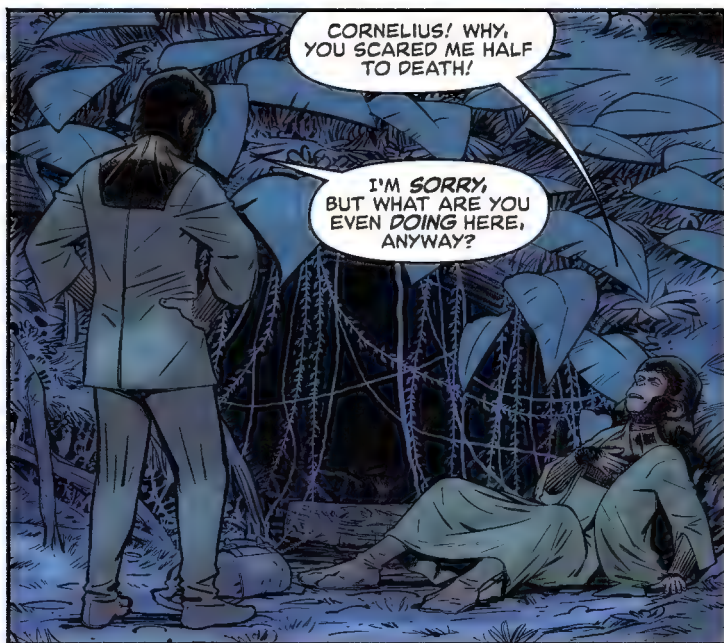


...OR HIS
REMAINS.











NOT REALLY.
THEN AGAIN, I DIDN'T
CONSIDER HER TO BE
OF ANY IMPORT.

WELL, I, FOR
ONE, WOULD PREFER
NOT TO VENTURE INTO
THE FORBIDDEN ZONE
WITHOUT SOME SORT
OF GUIDE.

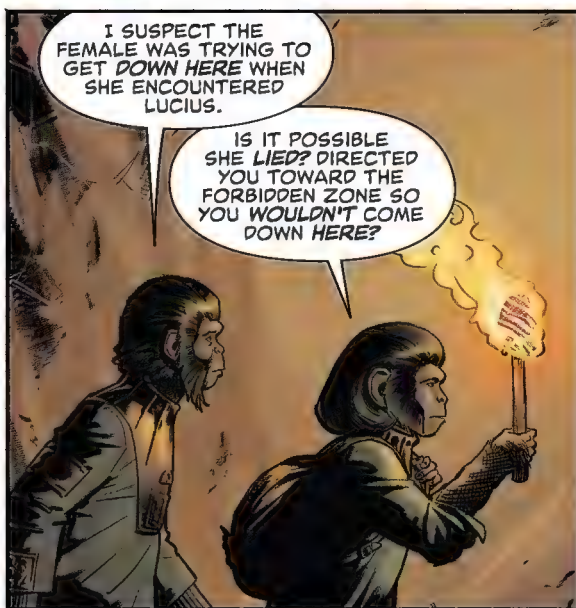


SHE CAN'T SPEAK,
ZIRA. AND EVEN IF SHE
COULD, WHO'S TO SAY
SHE WOULD BE WILLING
TO SERVE AS OUR
"GUIDE"?

AS THE
LAWGIVER ONCE SAID,
"ANSWERS REQUIRE
QUESTIONS FIRST."



INCREDIBLE.
THIS FISSURE
APPEARS
COMPLETELY
NATURAL.



I SUSPECT THE
FEMALE WAS TRYING TO
GET DOWN HERE WHEN
SHE ENCOUNTERED
LUCIUS.

IS IT POSSIBLE
SHE LIED? DIRECTED
YOU TOWARD THE
FORBIDDEN ZONE SO
YOU WOULDN'T COME
DOWN HERE?



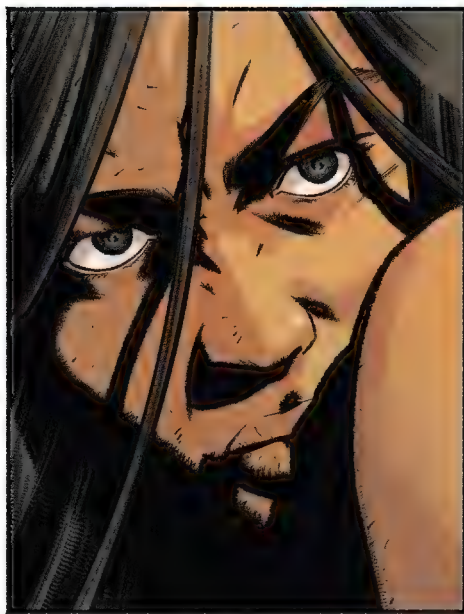
YOU THINK
SHE MIGHT HAVE
TAKEN LUCIUS?

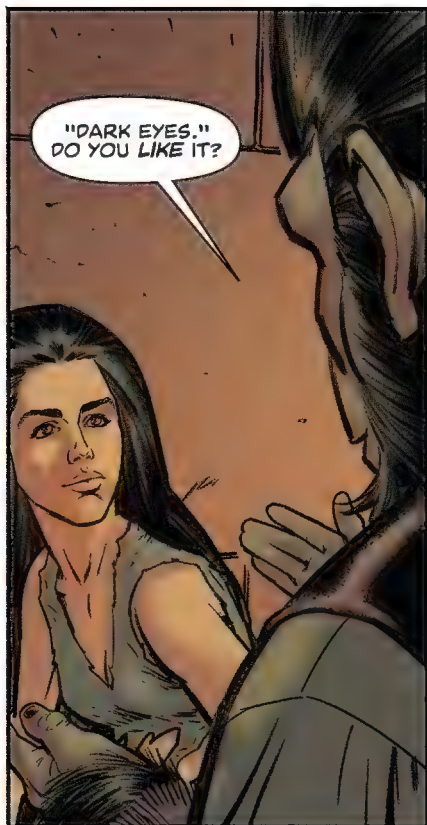
WHO KNOWS
WITH HUMANS?
THEY'RE
ANIMALS.

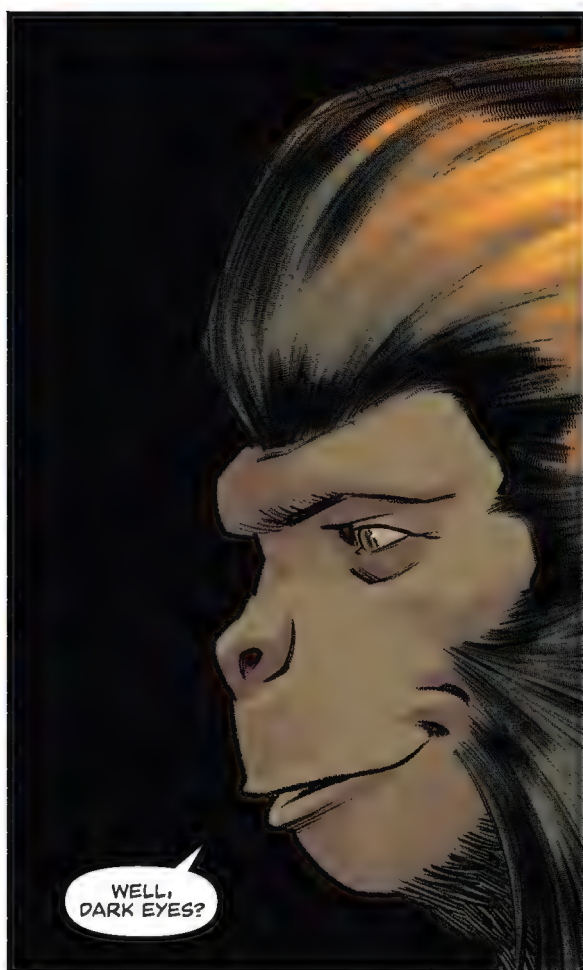
A FAIR
POINT.













"WILL YOU HELP US FIND LUCIUS IF WE HELP YOU FIND YOUR KIND?"



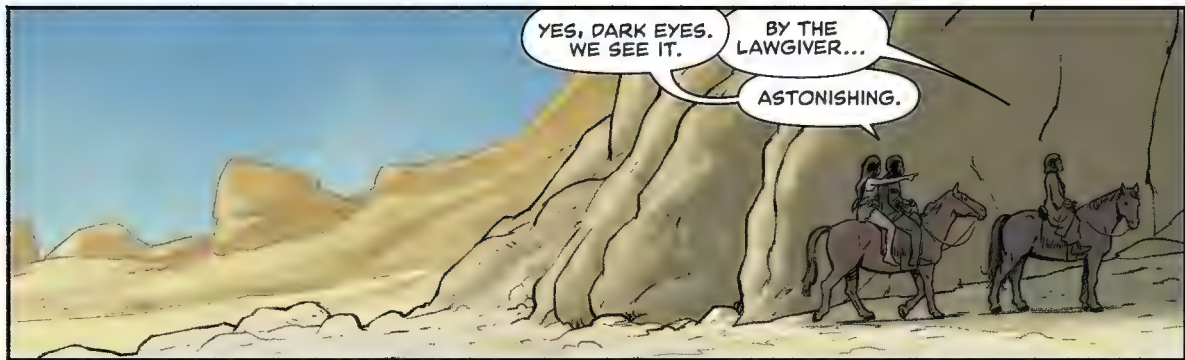
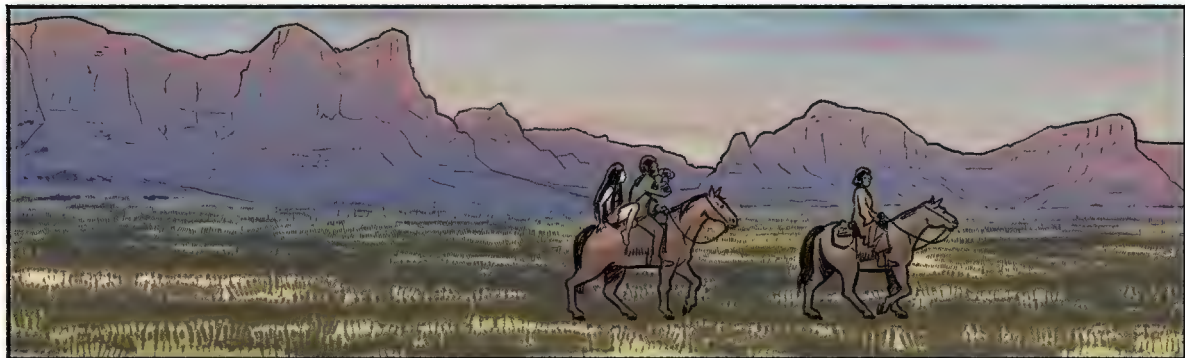
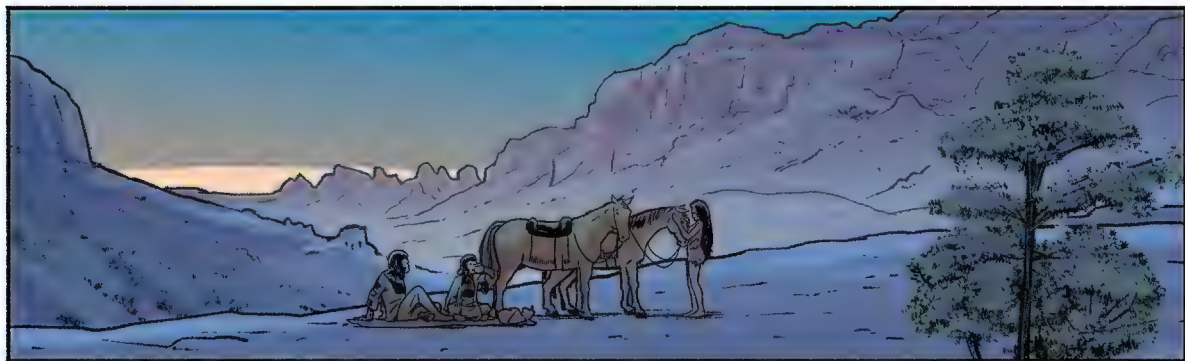
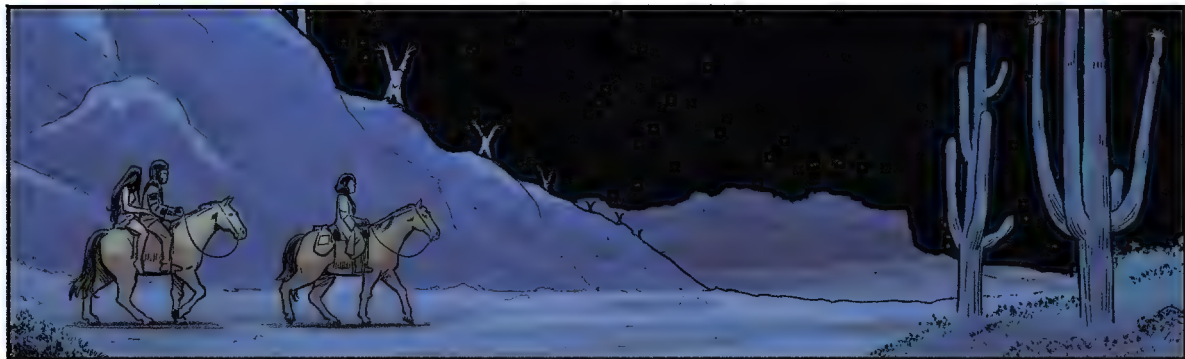
THAT WAY?
ARE YOU
SURE?

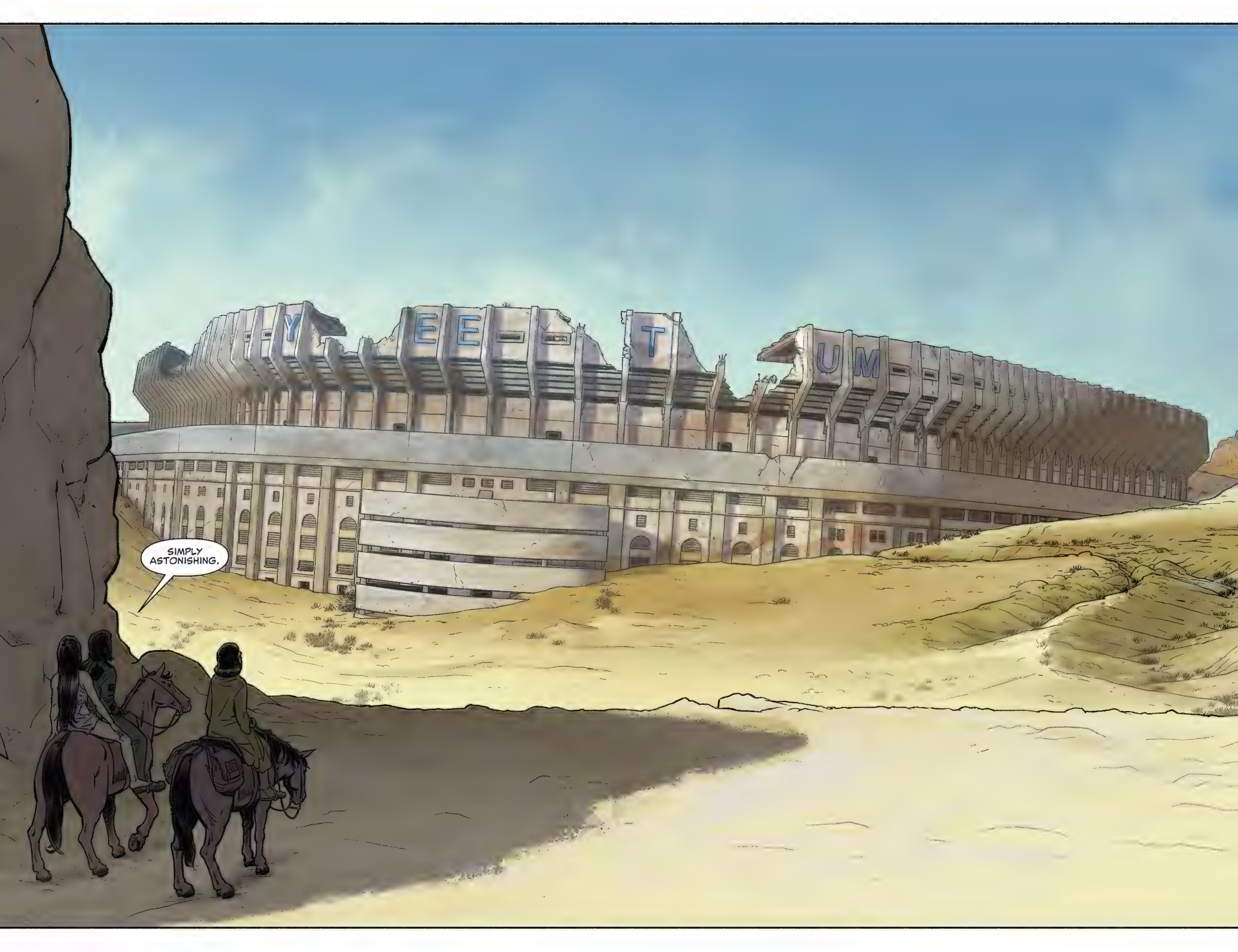
OF COURSE
SHE'S SURE.
THERE'S ONE
THING YOU NEED TO
KNOW ABOUT HUMANS,
CORNELIUS.

AND
WHAT'S
THAT?



THE
FEMALE IS
THE MORE
INTELLIGENT
OF THE
SPECIES.





SIMPLY
ASTONISHING.



LAST TIME IN PLANET OF THE APES

In **1972**, astronaut **George Taylor** and his crew departed from Earth and crash-landed on an unknown planet. They soon discovered the planet was inhabited by an advanced society of **apes** who walked, talked, and acted like humans. The **humans**, meanwhile, were primitive and mute, and the apes used them for scientific study and menial labor.

Taylor was captured and taken to **Ape City**, where he was studied by the orangutan scientist **Dr. Zaius** and chimpanzee scientist **Dr. Zira**. Zira and her fiancé, **Dr. Cornelius**, took an interest in Taylor. They showed him human artifacts from their planet's past and told him about the **Forbidden Zone**, a place outside of Ape City that Taylor believed held the key to the planet's lost human civilization.

With help from Zira and Cornelius, Taylor and a female human named **Nova** escaped in search of the Forbidden Zone. They came across the Statue of Liberty buried in sand, leading Taylor to realize that they hadn't crash-landed on a new planet but had instead landed on Earth—more than 2,000 years in the future.

A short time later, in the distant past of **1979**, another astronaut named **John Brent** made the same voyage in search of Taylor and his crew. He met Nova, who led him to Zira and Cornelius. Zira guided Brent and Nova through the Forbidden Zone in search of Taylor. They found him imprisoned by a group of **telepathic, mutated humans** who worshiped an **atomic bomb**. While Taylor, Brent, and Nova sought an escape, the ape army invaded, led by a gorilla named **General Ursus**. Nova was killed, and the bomb was detonated—destroying the entire planet.

Our story takes us back, prior to Taylor's arrival on the Planet of the Apes...

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HOPE'S
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STATUE OF
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**FORBIDDEN
ZONE**

APE CITY



NEXT TIME

Who has Zira in their sights?

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